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Chief, St/I/R (Attention Mr. [REDACTED])

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Request for Comments on [REDACTED] (ORR 9376)

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1. The answers to the questions posed by [REDACTED] with regard to [REDACTED] reporting are given below. The questions are not repeated; each answer is numbered identically to the questionnaire attached to the subject request.

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2. Answers.

- I.a. No
- b. Yes
- c. No

d. Yes. The use of NOFORN, CIA EYES ONLY, and other limiting classifications is extremely burdensome when a [REDACTED] document is to be cited for a finished ORR intelligence report. Either the entire report must be so classified or, as is usually the case, a special effort has to be made to have one or more [REDACTED] reports reclassified. Since the reclassification requested is almost invariably granted it would save considerable effort if limiting classifications, which apparently are intended only for operational copies of the report, were kept to an absolute minimum.

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e. Yes, Should be continued.
f. Not frequently enough to cause concern.
g. Not always, but since it is our job to determine such significance no analysis by the collector is required. Comments, by the collector, and in the form of Washington Comments are always welcome however. (see i below)

h. No

i. They are not superfluous. Keep the present format.

II.a. No

b. Definitely not.

c. The time lapse between the collection date and the date received in S/CST frequently means that [REDACTED] reports have little value as current support for OCI. This is somewhat offset by the fact that at least some [REDACTED] reports indicate probable future action rather than a reporting of past events.

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d. No.

e. Yes- this is true for any collection effort, however.

f. No, Yes

III. Would suggest that lengthy material in a foreign language be routed with a brief synopsis in English. Full translation could be delayed until a specific request occurred. The report could then be reissued as a supplement to the original report, using the same [redacted] number to avoid false confirmations.

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IV. In the upper 30-40 percent

V. No comment other than as reported above. In general [redacted] reports have been satisfactory in form and content.

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